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This Vessel has unusually good Cabin
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Hongkong, July 21, 1884. 1202

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 The Steamship
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on FRIDAY, the 1st August, at 4 p.m.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, July 24, 1884. 1230

FOR LONDON *VIA* SUEZ CANAL.

The Steamship
Glenlochy,
Capt. MACRINLAY, will be
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or about the 1st Proximo.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.
Hongkong, July 22, 1884. 1213

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Agents.
Hongkong, July 10, 1884. 114

FOR SINGAPORE, MAURITIUS, PORT
NATAL, EAST LONDON, PORT
ELIZABETH & CAPE TOWN.

The Steamship
Kennett,
Captain SANDERSON, will
have quick despatch for
the above Ports.

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For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LAURA & Co.
Hongkong, July 17, 1884. 118

UNION LINE.

FOR YOKOHAMA AND HIOGO.

The Steamship
Albany,
Captain BRYER, due on
from about 25th Inst., with
have immediate despatch for the above
Ports.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
RUSSELL & Co.
Hongkong, July 21, 1884. 120

CASTLE LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR YOKOHAMA AND HIOGO.

The Steamship
Gordon Castle,
ROWE, Commander

Instant, will have

For Freight or Passage, apply to
ADAMSON, BELL & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, July 25, 1864. 123

Sailing Vessels.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.
The 3/3 L.L.L. British Ship
Honamara,
Lark, Master, will load her
for the above Port, and will
have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to
RUSSELL & Co.
Hongkong, July 1, 1864. 109

FOR NEW YORK.
The 3/3 L.L.L. American Ship

SEWELL, Master
for the above

have quick despatch.


For Freight, apply to

RUSSELL & Co.

Hongkong, July 9, 1884. 113

FOR VICTORIA, BRITISH COLUMBIA

The 3/3 L.I.L. American Bark
Woodcock

 SAWYER, Master, will load here
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have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to

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Hongkong, July 9, 1884. 113

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TOPOCAN BUTTER.
Eastern and Californian CHEESE.
COPPESTON, Bonclass.
Prime HAMS and BACON.
Pig Brand Condensed MILK.
Family BEEF in 25 lb kegs.
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Cutting's Dessert FRUITS in 5 lb cans.
"Assorted Canned VEGETABLES."
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"Assorted SOUPS."
Richardson & Robinson's Colored Potted MEATS.

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Clam CHOWDER.
Fresh OREGON SALMON.
Dried APPLES.
TOMATOES.
SUCCOTASH.
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FAIRBANKS' SCALES.

400 lb. Capacity.
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Notices to Consignees.

STEAMSHIP NATAL.
COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES
MARITIMES.
NOTICE.

CONSIGNÉES of Cargo per Steamship
Gauge, from London, in con-
nection with the above Steamer, are
hereby informed that their Goods with
the exception of Optima, Treasures and
Valuables are being landed and stored at
their risk at the Company's Godowns,
whence delivery may be obtained imme-
diately after landing.
Optional Cargo will be forwarded on,
unless intimation is received from the Con-
signees before 2 o'clock P.M. (Wednes-
day), requesting it to be landed here.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
the Undersigned.
Goods remaining unclaimed after Fri-
day, the 1st August, at Noon, will be
subject to rent and landing charges at 1
cent per package per diem.
All Claims must be sent in to me before
the 2nd August or they will not be recog-
nized. No Fire Insurance has been effected.
I. MARTIN.
Acting Agent.
Hongkong, July 23, 1884. 1220

Insurances.

**THE STRAITS INSURANCE COM-
PANY, LIMITED.**

THE Undersigned having been appointed
Agents for the above Company are
prepared to GRANT POLICIES on MARINE
RISKS to all parts of the World, at current
rates.

ARNHOLD, KARBURG & Co.
Hongkong, November 5, 1883. 856

THE LONDON ASSURANCE

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER OF
His Majesty King George the Third,
A. D. 1720.

Agents for the above Corporation are
appointed to grant Insurances as follows:—

Marine Department.

Policies at current rates, payable either
here, in London, or at the principal Ports
of India, China and Australia.

Fire Department.

Policies issued for long or short periods at
current rates.

Life Department.

Policies issued for sums not exceeding
£5,000 at reduced rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.
Hongkong, July 25, 1872. 436

LANCASHIRE INSURANCE

COMPANY.

(FIRE AND LIFE.)

CAPITAL—Two MILLIONS STERLING.

THE Undersigned are prepared to grant
Policies against the risk of FIRE on
buildings or on goods stored therein, on
goods on board Vessels and on hulls of
Vessels in Harbour, at the usual terms
and Conditions.

Proposals for Life Assurances will be re-
ceived, and transmitted to the Directors
for their decision.

If required, protection will be granted on
first class Lives up to £1000 on Single
Lives.

For Rates of Premiums, forms of pro-
posals or for other information, apply to
ARNHOLD, KARBURG & Co.,
Agents, Hongkong & Canton.

Hongkong, January 4, 1887. 100

Insurances.

**NORTH BRITISH & MERCANTILE
INSURANCE COMPANY.**

THE Undersigned, Agents of the above
Company, are authorized to insure
against FIRE at Current Rates.

GILMAN & Co.
Hongkong, January 1, 1882. 14

NOTICE.

**QUEEN FIRE INSURANCE COM-
PANY.**

THE Undersigned are prepared to accept
Risks on First Class Godowns at 3
per cent. net premium per annum.

NORTON & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, May 19, 1881. 938

Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor
Owners will be Responsible for
any Debt contracted by the Officers or
Crew of the following Vessels, during
their stay in Hongkong Harbour:—

ALTAIR, British steamer, Capt. Wm.
Byrnes.—Russell & Co.

ANNA SHIRREN, German barque, Captain
Paulsen.—Widder & Co.

C. T. HOOR, British steamer, Captain W.
Jarvis.—T. Howard & Co.

DANUBE, British steamer, Captain J.
Newell.—Yuen Fat Hong.

EL CAPITAN, American ship, Capt. J. E.
Griffiths.—Widder & Co.

HOLM, C. STEVEN, German barque, Capt.
Holm.—Widder & Co.

GENERAL DOWDALL, British ship, Capt.
G. W. Stanton.—Captain.

GUY C. GOSS, American barque, Capt. J.
Freeman.—Captain.

JANE MARIA, British barque, Capt. J. O.
Griffiths.—Widder & Co.

MACDONALD, British ship, Captain J. F.
Hind.—P. & O. S. N. Co.

MADRAS, British steamer, Captain H.
Plong.—Order.

MATILDA, American ship, Captain J. G.
Mortimer.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

MYANMAR, British steamer, Capt. Jas.
Vincent.—Turner & Co.

PANDORA, Austro-Hungarian str., Capt.
G. Sturli.—Melchers & Co.

SACRAMENTO, American barque, Captain
Wm. Evans.—Douglas Laprak & Co.

WEST AUSTRALIAN, British barque, Capt.
James Thomas.—Gillman & Co.

WILLOW, American barque, Captain
Chas. A. Sawyer.—Melchers & Co.

WILHELM HOFMEIER, Ger. barque, Capt.
W. Holt.—Stanton & Co.

WM. PHILLIPS, Amer. barquentine, Capt.
John H. Potter.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

To-day's Advertisements.

UNION LINE.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM ANTWERP, LONDON, PENANG
AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship *Albatross*, Captain
Barnes, having arrived from the above
Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby
requested to send in their Bills of Lading to
the Undersigned for countersignature, and
to take immediate delivery of their Goods
from alongside.
Cargo impeding the discharge of the
Steamer will be at once landed and stored
at Consignees' risk and expense, and no
Fire Insurance will be effected.
Optional Cargo will be forwarded on to
YOKOHAMA, unless notice to the contrary be
sent before MONDAY, 28th inst., at Noon.
All Claims against the Steamer must be
presented to the Undersigned on or before
the 2nd August, or they will not be re-
cognized.

RUSSELL & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, July 26, 1884. 1240

Vessels Advertised as Loading.

Destination. Vessels. Captain. Agents. Date of Leaving.

Bangkok, via Straits. Daube (s). J. Newton. Yuen Fat Hong. July 30, at 2 p.m.

Bombay, via Straits. Shiva (s). P. & O. S. N. Co. August 2, at 3 p.m.

Brisbane, Sydney, &c. John (s). T. M. Irvine. Arnold, Karberg & Co. August 1, at 4 p.m.

Cape Town, &c., via Singapore. Kismet (s). Sanderson. Douglas Laprak & Co. July 31, at 4 p.m.

London, &c., via Suez Canal. Kismet (s). W. B. Andrews. Jardine, Matheson & Co. About August 1.

Marseilles, &c., via Suez Canal. Kismet (s). W. B. Andrews. Jardine, Matheson & Co. About August 1.

New York. Sall (s). Sed. Russell & Co. August 7, at noon.

San Francisco, via Yokohama. City of Tokio (s). Sed. Russell & Co. August 8, at 3 p.m.

Shanghai, via Amoy. Larica (s). Lane. Russell & Co. August 8, at 3 p.m.

Swatow, Amoy and Foochow. Nona (s). Lane. Russell & Co. August 8, at 3 p.m.

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Sydney and Melbourne. Theor (s). Lane. Russell & Co. August 8, at 3 p.m.

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Trieste, &c. Tanadice (s). Young. Butterfield & Swire. July 27, at 9 a.m.

Victoria (British Columbia). Wildwood. Gibb, Livingston & Co. July 28, at noon.

Yokohama and Higo. Padora (s). S. G. Green. Russell & Co. July 28, at noon.

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To-day's Advertisements.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR SHANGHAI VIA AMOY.

(Taking Cargo & Passengers at through rates
for NINGPO, CHEFOO, NEW-
CHANG, TIENTSIN, HANKOW and
Ports on the YANGTZE.)

The Co's Steamship
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ago. At the beginning of this week he began to experience peculiar sensations in the head, and three days ago he went to the Hospital. During his stay there, he appeared to be in a state of delirium, but was not violent. He died at 4.45 last night, and was buried this afternoon. Mr. Sorenson was a native of Denmark. He was apparently a strong healthy man previous to this sickness.

A RATHER startling supplement is published with the issue of the *Paris Figaro*, received by the last mail. It consists of four copies of drawings by Chinese artists of imaginary scenes in Tonquin during the recent campaign, with translations of the explanatory remarks attached to these artistic efforts by the native authors. Two of these four drawings are highly coloured. The *Figaro* introduces this novelty in the way of supplements with the following remarks: "This supplement is a faithful reproduction of four placards which have been profusely circulated in all the towns of China, with the object of making the people believe in the defeat of the French troops and the victories of the Black Flags. It is by means of such placards as these that the public opinion of the inhabitants of the Celestial Empire is formed."

We have received from the publishers in London, Messrs Baillière, Tindall & Cox, of King William Street, Strand, a copy of a voluminous publication being an epitome of the reports of the medical officers to the Chinese Imperial Maritime Customs Service from 1871 to 1892. The compiler is Surgeon-General C. A. Gordon, author of 'China from a medical point of view' and other works of a similar nature. In addition to an epitome of the reports in question, the work also contains chapters of the history of medicine in China, epidemics, famines, and other subjects. It is a handsome, well-printed volume, and is inscribed to Sir Robert Hart, K.C.M.G. We shall refer to its contents more fully on another occasion.

AN anecdote characteristic of Chinese 'braves' reaches us from Foochow. Not only have the Chinese begun to mount guns on the hills there, but they started to fortify a small island further down the river. After this work had made some progress, however, it suddenly occurred to them that if the place was shelled by the French and became untenable, there would be no means of escape for the garrison. 'Suppose we make less, what side can go?' became the anxious query, and as affairs were looking very critical at the time, with the French men-of-war within gun shot, away went the 'braves' and their officers from the island. Later on, however, it was decided to fortify a larger island, and the soldiers were busy constructing mud forts on it when our informant came down the river.

A most successful raid upon a gambling establishment was made by Inspector Grey and a party of police yesterday, at about 7 p.m., no less than twenty four Celestials, cooks, coolies, boatmen &c., being arrested in *flagrante delicto*. The premises visited consisted of the top floor of No. 4 Gilman's Bazaar, and every precaution was taken to prevent the escape of any of the gamblers, Sergeant Butlin being dispatched up to the roof of the house and another European Sergeant being posted on a side staircase. Inspector Grey got round to the back of the house, and a desperate attempt was made by a number of the gamblers to escape this way, many of them jumping down to the ground on the top of Inspector and his party, a distance of some thirty feet. Three of the men received somewhat severe injuries in the fall, two of them having to be removed to hospital, one with a broken leg. On the roof of the house, Sergeant Butlin found an entrance to the gambling house, but as soon as he made his appearance the ladder communicating with the room below was withdrawn. He succeeded however in getting another ladder and entering the room, where he found fifteen of the prisoners. These he managed to detain until he obtained assistance and arrested them.

The premises were found to be fitted up as a regular fan-tan establishment, with all the usual appliances and gear, the approaches being defended by strongly constructed doors. Twenty-two of the prisoners were brought up before Mr. Wise this morning, the other two being in the Government Civil Hospital. The police pressed for the full penalty and Mr. Wise fined one of the defendants \$30, or two months' hard labour, and the remainder \$50, or three months, with the exception of one man who was recognized as having been up for gambling in April last. In his case, in default of paying up the \$30 fine, his term of imprisonment was to be six months instead of three. The case against the two men in hospital was necessarily remanded. Thirteen dollars out of the fines were to be paid to some members of the party of police whose clothes had been damaged in the scrimmage with the gamblers.

Mr. Labouchere, M.P., has written the following letter to Mr. Stuart Cumberland:—
10, Queen Anne's-gate, June 13, 1894.
Dear Mr. Cumberland,—Yours yesterday's clipping in pointing out an article in this room which I had thought of. You express a very interesting. As I had always supposed it to be, it is the perception of a thought in

the mind of a subject by watching carefully its effect upon his muscles. In order to succeed, it is of course necessary for the operator to have trained himself to note these physical indications. I am glad that you are engaged in dispelling the nonsense which surrounded the experiments, and that you are proving that you can equal the mystic powers of the quack who have hitherto made money out of fools, whilst at the same time you are able to give a natural and reasonable explanation of what you perform.—Yours truly, H. Labouchere.

The following eccentric advertisement appears in a home paper:—Englishman! Your Country is degraded—her prestige has vanished—her naval supremacy is gone. She cringes to every Foreign Power: Ireland, the glory is departed, is stamped upon her brow. And why? Because she has abandoned her Protestantism. By the fatal Act of 'Roman Catholic Emancipation,' in 1829, the Protestant Constitution was overthrown, and Popery and Idolatry were placed upon the throne of our country. Our God and our Protestantism went hand in hand. Popery is now dominant in Church and State and with Popery has come, of necessity, profound national humiliation. There is but one remedy. Let us return to the God whom our fathers worshipped. Let us re-establish at all hazards and at all cost, our Protestant Constitution. Then England, once more bearing testimony to Bible truth, would recover her former position at a bound, and stand erect amongst the Nations, the dread and envy of them all.

Whether women ought or ought not to be granted the suffrage is a matter on which there is much to be said on both sides. To assert that they have a right to it because men enjoy it is begging the entire question, for the simple reason that women are not men. Women's franchise would create a social revolution, and its advocates have first to show that any considerable number of women wish for it. My own impression is that the vast majority prefer to be angels at the hearth to becoming electresses at the poll. Occasionally a woman has the intellect of a man, but, as in the case of Queen Elizabeth, her intelligence is usually marred by being united with the weakness of a woman. Amongst what Sir Henry James has irreverently styled the 'chickering sisterhood' there are many charming ladies; but the rule holds good, that most of them wish to be successful as men, because they are failures as women. Women, having votes, would naturally insist upon being eligible Parliamentary candidates. Now I suppose that it will be admitted that a lady would hardly be able to cumulate the functions of an M.P. with the obligations involved in bringing up a family. Political functions could therefore only be undertaken by women who are not blessed with babies. The result would be that Parliament would be composed of beings who would be—so to say—sexless. The men would be womanish and the women would be manish. Ultimately, woman's rights would gravitate into man's wrongs.—*Truth*.

A home paper, in describing Messrs Dent and Co.'s stall at the Health Exhibition, gives some interesting details regarding the manufacture of their celebrated gloves. It appears that more than half the trade in English-made gloves is now in the hands of this single firm, and to supply the requisite material for their gloves nearly five million kids and lambs are slaughtered annually. Most of these victims are French born, but some are Irish. Messrs Dent and Co.'s chief factory is at Worcester, but they have large factories also at Paris, Grenoble and Brussels. The kid skins pass through many processes, all of which are done by men, before it furnishes work for even one single woman. At last, after it has been unhaird, dressed, nursed, stalked, soaked in egg-yolk—three million eggs a year are used in this work—dried, skinned, stretched, pressed, and cut into shape, it is then punched. After this the woman's work begins. English work for strength and trustworthiness is superior to that of any country, but wages are 50 per cent. higher. To learn the art of skin sewing an apprenticeship of from two to four months is necessary, but to become proficient in it longer time is required. There are about four yards of very close sewing in an ordinary size, ten-button lady's glove, and the prices for sewing gloves vary from 2s. 6d. to 10s. 6d. per dozen, according to the nature of the glove, and also whether the work is done by hand or by machine. Ten years ago it was all done by hand, but since then the machine has been steadily superseding hand-sewing, except for the best gloves which are still made entirely by hand.

In these days, when the roof sits lightly on our skulls, and things generally have what you might call an upward tendency—when Freedom, as the Irish members say, is stirring uneasily in her sleep and will soon unhair her scalp eyes and fling the glory of their beards across the world; when the Great Beyond is within easy reach of the humiliated individual—it is incumbent upon everyone to be vigilant in his expressions and only use the best brands of dynamite. With a view to this, we have been lately up to our necks in the United Irishman of O'Donovan Rossa. Anything more pathetically comic than the fulminations of this sporting sheet it is impossible to find anywhere about this planet. It keeps a calendar for what it calls 'Resources of Civilization' contributions, wherein it says: 'When the Irish people will realise the great atrocity that can be knocked out of the enemy with trivial "Resources" they may feel inclined to assist; and an enthusiastic writing from Peoria (Ill.) says, "Dan Driscoll told me that he would give 50 cents a month for the boys in green. He quit drinking, and he says that 50 cents will help poor old Ireland. How's that for patriotism? Regular and Toll and Krapotkin very probably thought they were doing something big in that line, but which of them abandoned swipes that his country might live? And Lady Fionnula—whoever the fond friend she may be—writing from Wicklow, says: "We've been wondering if you're not laughing those days to hear this great English thief and robber of weaker nations crying and whining like a whipped cur to America for protection." Hark at Maurice Kennedy of Killoegh! "I cannot keep still, so I will put something aside, and chip in five dollars, all for dynamite." Now, boys, is the time to up with Gladstone as high as the tower of Babel.

We hear the yells of the hell-hounds now baying our American Government to stop the Fenians. I wonder why they did not bark at the American Government, when she had the rope around O'Donnell's neck. Now we have got her just as she had O'Donnell, with a rope around her neck! Now boys, pull; yes, pull her in! We haven't a space for much of this fine irony, but there is a joyfully recounted list of five explanations, that only want a halloo after each word of them to be absolutely Captain Quintly. Listen! Mr. Editor, I send you some scraps of the progress of the Fire-bend through the British dependencies. A fortnight ago,

Sunday, Trinity Church was fired and totally destroyed. Six buildings at Trinidad were destroyed by fire on Jan. 27. The loss is estimated at \$400,000. One life was lost. And, after chronicling whole columns of appalling calamities, this cheerful writer finishes: 'I enclose you \$1 for the Fund, and I cannot describe to you how your readers were delighted by the blow-up; and if there were about 1000 English men, women, and children blown to hell at the time, some of us would be still more delighted. And at the bottom of this, Mr. Rossa tells you confidentially, as a friend, "keep away from the White Star line, and from the National line of steamers." Surely after this, America is the place where a man may say the thing he will with the chill of.—*Sunday Bulletin*.

ROW ON BOARD THE 'SOUTH AMERICAN.'

Yesterday afternoon a somewhat serious disturbance occurred on board the American ship *South American*, which arrived from Cardiff the evening before. The trouble seems to have arisen through the crew obtaining a too plentiful supply of liquor from a native bumboat. It is a great pity that this pernicious system of selling spirits from native craft to crews of European vessels cannot be effectually put down. It is sometimes productive of great harm. It would be highly beneficial if those who sold the liquor to the crew of the *South American* could be apprehended and made a shining example of.

The circumstances of the row are given in the following report of the proceedings which took place at the Harbour Master's Office this morning. Captain Thomsett, R.N., presided as magistrate. James Regan and Thomas Burns, seamen on board the *South American*, were charged with being drunk and disorderly, and with assaulting Captain Fowler, master of the ship; and Thomas Ward, John Price and Charles Moeller, also seamen, were charged with being drunk and disorderly, on the 25th inst.

Captain Fowler said, yesterday evening, about 8 o'clock, I went on board the ship. While on the poop a man came to me and asked me about some clothes. I told him I knew nothing about the clothes. I saw first and second defendants walking aft, and suspecting they meant mischief I called to the steward to bring my revolver. These two rushed at me, knocked me down and kicked me several times. There was a police boat lying near, and I called P.C. 92, who came on board. I asked him to take first and second defendants out of the ship. After some difficulty they were removed. They abused the constable shamefully. The other defendants were drunk and creating a disturbance by looting and pulling him round about.

John Smith, second mate of the ship said:—Yesterday, after anchoring, defendants got liquor from a bumboat and got drunk. They were singing and quarrelling. The master came on board about 6 o'clock, when the 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th defendants asked for leave. They were ordered forward. Another man asked for leave, which was refused. This man abused the Captain and struck him. The master then asked the steward for his revolver. The man went forward. The 2nd defendant and the other man came aft. They abused the Captain, who told them to go forward. Second defendant then heated off and struck the Captain, knocking him down. He also took the revolver out of the Captain's hand. First defendant then came and interfered. I told him not to. He abused the Captain but did not strike him. He then went forward and came back. The defendants were given in charge. The man who first struck the Captain was not given in charge.

Vincent Phillippi, carpenter, also gave corroborative evidence. Second defendant spoke to the Captain, and the other man put his fist to the Captain's chin and said: 'God damn, I'll strike you.' The Captain then called for his revolver and put it in his pocket. The 1st, 3rd, 4th and 5th defendants were crowding round the Captain and dragging him about.

Charles Hadden, P.C. 92, said:—Yesterday about half past five, Inspector McMahon told me to go and lie alongside the *South American*. About 7.30 I heard a cry of 'police.' I went on board the *South American*, and saw the 1st, 2nd and 3rd defendants holding the Captain down. With some difficulty I separated them, and took them forward. The Captain asked me to take the five defendants into custody. I took them to the boat and then to the Station. The men went quietly enough. The first three were drunk; the other two were sober, and tried to get the 1st, 2nd and 3rd defendants away from the Captain.

Captain Fowler, recalled, said:—I did not order the absent man to be prosecuted, because he has been generally a well behaved man.

First defendant had nothing to say. He did not know what had happened. He got liquor out of boats alongside. Second defendant said he went to bring the absent man forward, and the Captain struck him. The Captain had abused them on the voyage. The other three defendants said they went aft to try and separate the men they saw quarrelling.

The 1st, 2nd and 3rd defendants were each fined 25, with the option of being imprisoned for 7 days with hard labour; the 4th and 5th were discharged.

Captain Thomsett, after sentencing the men, informed Captain Fowler that the absent man, who originated the disturbance and struck him first, should have been prosecuted.

The French at Foochow.

The following extracts from a private letter received here to-day from Foochow have been kindly supplied to us by a resident:—

Foochow, July 25th.

There have been some nice goings on since last I wrote, and little did you Hongkongites imagine what was up, as I see by your papers that several French men-of-war had passed through Victoria Harbour on their way to Taku—and one fine day they popped in here. There are five of them. I went down to the anchorage on Saturday night by the invitation of the Captain of H.B.M.S. *Merlin*. Starting after dark and sleeping on board her—at least I tried to sleep, but the deck being of the finest teakwood proved too hard for my recently covered bones, and I had therefore to be continually relieving guard all night and putting another bone on duty. I dozed off towards morning but was rudely awakened by a big tom cat, who poised himself for a spring from off my legs to the top of the funnel—at least I suppose he intended getting up that height, judging from the tremendous kick off he took from poor me. Then the French sounded the morning *reville*; and a little later the *Merlin's* boatswain happened to wake up, so he sounded three bells and blew his whistle with great fury, which caused a head here and there to pop up out of a hammock.

The end of it all was that the crew got up and messed about the decks with scrubbing brushes and water, and I had to best a retreat to the stern, treading on the Captain's little boy who was digging at his eyes with his knuckles. When the haze cleared off—no, I mean when my eyes were thoroughly opened, I peered round and found that combatants and non-combatants were all muddled up together, there being a little Chinese gunboat up stream off the Arsenal, then the *Norin*, close astern of her a British brig; about 60 yards further down the Chinese corvette *Yang Woo* and a revenue cruiser, with the French gunboat *Apicabon*; an alphabetical boat little below her dominated by the French ship *Velle*, with Admiral Courbet's flag at the fore; a little further on was the French gunboat *Lynx* purring over another unfortunate alphabetical boat—the whole lot being in a bunch with only the space of about 50 yards between each, so that had they opened fire they'd have blown each other out of the water and given the Arsenal, which was close by, and the English Consulate, perched on a hill about 150 feet high and only 200 yards away, a good dusting. Then almost round the corner of Pagoda Island was moored the French cruiser *Duguay*.

Trinité, her great black hull, with a long snout to her bows, and ball straight masts giving her a formidable appearance. Close to her was the *Kwangtung* with a lot of treasure awaiting delivery, as the Banks up at Foochow were not anxious to increase their responsibilities as to trying a time. Further down was the *Gloucester* and a *Barque*.

We fortified ourselves from the morning mist by a hot cup of chocolate, and, after a bath, Captain Brenton, his son and I put off in a sampan and went round the fleet to see how the land lay. By the way, I must mention that whilst I was below dressing, a man-of-war's boat came alongside and a French officer stepped on board for a chat with the captain, who, like all officials, was not over communicative about this morning call, but mentioned that the officer told him that the Admiral would give due notice before opening fire, omitting to mention how long after the notice was given before he would waste in. Well, we first had a look at the *Apicabon*, a long low boat painted white, with a tall funnel having the usual pot lid fitted to it, 3 pole masts making aft, docks cleared for action, guns with shields in front, and Hotchkiss guns all handy on the bulwarks. The officers were all fusing around and the men making themselves very hot and dirty, a great contrast to the Chinese, who cleared for action by smartening up for breakfast, and looked like our chair coolies in their Sunday heat.

We looked up the *Pelle* next; she was very quiet, had awnings set and a Sunday garb; the next boat, the *Lynx*, looked a little 'rip' with her black sides, cocky nose, tankers trained and shielded, stages in the tops for riflemen and long snake sticks. From her we went on to the *Duguay* *Trinité*, which is really a very fine cruiser, bearing one great fault to an Englishman's eyes and that is her rudder post is too exposed, having a clipper stern, but perhaps she doesn't intend to show her heads to the foe. Another thing struck me—a thing I've noticed in all their big ships, and that is she looks too crowded with forecaste, rigging, dunnage, big guns, Hotchkiss guns, &c. There seems no room for swinging a good big 'D' around.

We didn't like to go too near her as they were busy fitting a spar torpedo to a very clumsy looking steam launch, which was protected by iron plates, from the bows to a little aft of the funnel. We next went to the *Kwangtung* to find out when she was leaving for Hongkong, and whilst on board her, heard the drums beat to quarters and a single bounded on board the *Duguay* *Trinité*, followed by a conque on her decks, the sailors leading, rousing out the guns, dropping the iron bulwarks outwards with a heavy clang and buoying their cables so as to slip them at any moment. Captain Brenton thought matters looked serious and proposed our returning to the *Merlin*, especially as the torpedo

launch was fooling around (with a torpedo stick on the end of a long spar; we looked up the ships on our return; all the Frenchmen were quite ready to set to and I think the Chinamen were on the quiet as they were all on deck, and when passing the *Yang Woo* I caught them throwing a cover over a gun and then they hurriedly shoved a grating into the gunport.

I omitted to mention that all the combatants had steam up, both French and Chinese, and the French had lowered their boats to within three feet of the water, so that their gunners should have a clear view. The Frenchmen stood to their guns for fully two hours; I believe the slightest movement of any of the Chinese would have opened hostilities. After breakfast there was morning inspection on the *Merlin*, the men looking very smart and the officers very happy in their thick uniform coats, it being a broiling hot day with not a breath of air stirring, but the French were still at it with awnings triced up.

We had morning service. I was much struck with the contrast between the peaceful array of men on board the English ship, singing a hymn to the accompaniment of a harmonium on the main deck, and those there snarling at each other, longing to bark and bite, and I don't think I shall be far wrong in adding that on one side they were longing to scold, had the mandarins on shore not promised to shorten each by a head if they dare do such a thing.

The Doctor of the Anchorage came off with a tin box to deposit for safe keeping, and he lent his boat for the Captain and I to go ashore and look up the Consulate. It was terribly hot, working up the lee side of a hill on a hot day; the Consulate felt deliciously cool after so hot a climb. We found Mr. Warren in good spirits but almost deserted, as all his domestics, barring the indispensable, viz. the cook and boy, had taken fright and fled with the rest of the shore people and sampan men during the night. They said they didn't mind the French, but a squad of Chinese soldiers—some fifteen hundred who had taken up their quarters on the rise at the back of the Arsenal were a little too much for them—it was time to go. The Chinese soldiers are terrible rascals; they bullied the people and impressed all their boats, omitting to pay anything for their use; why, in the early morning some men wanted to go on board the *Kwangtung* and the boatmen refused to take \$10 to row a few hundred yards. They said their mothers were calling them and, being dutiful sons, they were off. This was rather awkward for me, as I didn't see my way to getting home again, but later on I heard that Jardine's launch would go up as soon as she got the letters from an inward bound steamer, so my mind was eased down and I was able to enjoy a good time when we returned on board, although it was *fizzing* hot. Another Frenchman came in during the forenoon—the *Chateau Renard*; she anchored in a handy spot for popping shells over the spur of a low hill down into the back windows of the Arsenal, also to have a slap at some earthworks thrown up during Saturday night on the said spur in close proximity to the Vice-Consulate.

The launch coming alongside shortly after five, I bade farewell to the good people of the *Merlin* and came up to town in company with the skipper and his wife of the newly arrived steamer, who said that the people at Hongkong knew nothing about the little game being played here. So enough my narrative of my trip to the scene of action.

July 25th.

We were right in thinking that the French were all ready to open fire yesterday morning, and on Sunday night the Admiral, hearing some movement on board the Chinese ships, had the electric light turned on to them and immediately sent off a note informing them that if any dared to move they would be blown out of the water! Now that's the way to treat these beggars; steam in, before war is declared, past all their batteries and torpedoes—that is if they have posted any, and take charge of their headquarters, standing no nonsense.

It was a very near shave on Wednesday last when the *Emmetin*, on her way up river, stuck on a sand bank, her stern dropping at abt. tide, straining the ship so that she made 9 feet of water in two hours. She suddenly let out a lot of cable which dragged along some sixteen of her crew, injuring them badly; Dr. Underwood of the Anchorage went on board to place the Seamen's Hospital at their disposal, but his offer was declined with thanks as it was thought that the situation was too critical for any of the injured to be landed. The *Merlin* went to the *Emmetin's* assistance and towed her off. The next night, when the *Hamelin* was anchored off Pagoda, all bandaged up with sails and chains, two of the alphabetical gunboats ranged up alongside of her so clumsily that one of them ran into her. I suppose they wanted to see what was the matter, but it looked suspicious for a time. I hear that the *Hamelin* is so badly damaged she will proceed to Hongkong for repairs and then go on to Saigon to be broken up.

Of course all this happening almost within sight of this settlement—Pagoda being only 4 miles away—has caused us great uneasiness and upset business with the natives, who on Saturday cleared out of the city in crowds until stopped by the soldiers. All sorts of rumours fly round and everyone is agog for the latest telegrams, which were all gloomy until yesterday, when we heard that affairs were

likely to be amicably settled. Authentic news had been received that the Chinese had four more days to decide in, so next Thursday, the 24th, will be a great day. As the *Merlin*, (22nd, *Merlin* is just up so we are O.K.) couldn't possibly get up to the settlement before Wednesday, there being too little water in the river, we felt a little alarmed about our position and consulted the English Consul as to the advisability of planning some means of getting away from the place, or resisting an attack if a mob rushed over the long bridge from the city. The Consul pool-pooled the matter, and said that if any steps were taken the Chinese would hear of it, and thinking we were panic-stricken, would raise a riot and plunder the settlement. So the matter dropped, but many of us have thought differently and have seen that guns and revolvers are in order and that there is plenty of ammunition in the house. Our servants say that there will be a lot of thieves prowling around, so I have borrowed a revolver and we have got in a supply of shot to wade come them with. However I think we are all right now, the news to-day being of a more peaceful nature; business has recommenced, and the Chinese have quieted down a bit.

Gossip about Sulu.

(Continued.)

White coral and lava like the town a good deal, but it cannot be considered good paving material. The freshest and coolest streams of fresh water are plentiful, and there is an abundance of fruit, of which a large quantity is exported to Singapore but by far a larger quantity rots on the ground. Cockatoos, and green parrots are flitting about everywhere. There is no jungle, only here and there a fine clump of trees, the remainder of the soil being uncovered except by grass. Nothing could be more like a fine English park from the appearance of the land, and the chances are that whilst you are looking at it a deer or two will bound across the view. A barked teak grows on the hill sides, palms are plentiful, copra is largely exported to Singapore and a soap tree grows largely. What a treat the exploration of the whole place would give a botanist. Flowers grow everywhere; recently some orchids were sent from here to H.R.H. the Prince of Wales by special command. There is only one plantation worth noting, and that is a very fine one, on which grows hemp, coffee, cacao and sugar, to perfection.

The most important product has yet to be mentioned, and that is pearls, mother of pearl and other valuable shells. Mr. Steiner has an agent here, and through his courtesy I witnessed some important transactions. The rule regarding pearls is said to be that all pearls are to be first submitted to the Sultan; if he wishes to buy his offer is not disputed, or the pearl finder would be punished and the gem confiscated. So all trade in this article is done *sub rosa* but notwithstanding the great cunning of some Chinese buyers they get caught sometimes and then!—The pearl shells in the rough and unsorted are worth from \$50 to \$45 per picul. They make very attractive wall decorations when treated as I saw some; they were about 10 in. in diameter and were spotless. Several were painted very fairly by the amateurs of the island. Some of the shells had also bright little water colour figures cut out and stuck on them. The Sulu diver is said to be the best in the world; he can dive in 18 fathoms. I timed one man under water 45 minutes.

All the islands around are great cattle breeding places, for buffaloes and ponies chiefly; every Suluaman is a born cattle thief. He could no more resist the temptation of amassing hoof stock than he could fly; he would make the attempt though certain death stared him in the face. A friend of mine who despaired of keeping any kind of cattle at last thought of getting strong iron rods, and with them looked up a new purchase by five strong steel work around the pasture, but alas! the result was unsatisfactory. In the morning the pony was gone. Another time three buffaloes of his were out browsing with a man doing guard with a loaded rifle. The three animals had their three noses pointed in the same direction and were slowly walking in a direction away from home. A close inspection showed that their three ropes had been cleverly made fast by some one who had shuffled through the grass and brought the end of a long rope with him to which he attached the other three ropes. Feeling their way gently along my friend and his guard cautiously approached a clump of trees some distance off where a Suluaman was coolly hiding in the slack. At the sight of the owner he vanished, but not before he got part of a charge of buck shot.

Quite recently the fighting men made arrangements with some brave natives to meet them outside the Spanish island for a concerted attack. The brave were there but those who invited them were not, they had gone to the other brave's island and stolen all their cattle. Two steamers from Singapore ply regularly to Sulu, and so far as I have seen, they are always filled right up.

The British and German governments have recently agreed to a Spanish occupation of the island, to which, for the present, we acquiesce.

DELFIAR.

Police Intelligence.

(Before A. G. Wier, Esq.)
Saturday, July 26.

ASSAULTING A CONSTABLE.
Wang Kien Mun, boatman, was charged with unlawful possession of three blankets, value \$8, and also with assaulting Mok Ping Cheong, P.O. 287, by biting his finger, and throwing away his whistle on the 25th inst. Both charges were proved against the defendant, as also a former conviction; he was sentenced to three months' imprisonment with hard labour, in default of payment of a fine of \$25, for unlawful possession, and six weeks' hard labour for assaulting the constable; the sentence to commence at the end of three months.

CUTTING AND WOUNDING.
Chi Shan, a seaman belonging to the S. S. *Chen Chai*, was charged with cutting and wounding Chu Han Hing, a boatman on the same steamer on the 24th inst., on the high seas. From the evidence it appeared that a quarrel arose between complainant and defendant over a gambling debt, in the course of which the latter seized complainant on the shoulder and in the side with a knife. Complainant did not wish to press the charge, as the wounds were not very serious. Defendant, who admitted the charge, was sent to goal for seven days' hard labour.

HOUSE BREAKING.
Chan Aloi, a coolie, admitted a charge of breaking into the house of Lui Ahung, a hawker, and stealing therefrom clothing, money and jewellery to the value of about \$6, on the 25th inst., at Yau-mai. Defendant was sentenced to three weeks' hard labour.

CHUNG AHOE, CHANG AYON, CHUN ASON, LUM AKONG and KWOK AYUN, chaircoolies, seaman, and coolies, appeared on remand on a charge of entering house No. 101, Hollywood Road and stealing a box, a blanket and five bundles of clothing; the property of Leung Ah Sing, a hawker, on the 24th inst. The defendants were charged with having attempted to make their escape from the house they had broken into by Sergeant Butlin and a party of police and district watchmen, a quantity of the stolen property being found in their possession. His Worship sentenced the defendants to six months' hard labour each and considered that great credit was due to the police for the capture.

(Before E. Mackenzie, Esq.)

FOR STEALING \$1.40 FROM THE TROUSERS OF YUK AKA, a seaman, at the Fo-lok Yung on the 25th inst., a man named Tung Aun was sent to goal for six weeks' hard labour.

Quotations.

HONGKONG, July 26.
OPIMUM—New Patna, cash, \$505/005
" Old " cash, 500
" New Patna, cash, 504 1/2
" Old " cash, 500
" New Patna, cash, 500
" Old " cash, 32
" Old Patna, cash, 40
Allowance, Teels, 40

Exchange.

Bank, Wire, 3/8 1/2
" Demand, 3/8 1/2
" 30 days' sight, 3/8 1/2
" 4 months' sight, 3/8 1/2
Credits, 3/8 1/2
Documentary 4 months' sight, 3/8 1/2
India, Wire, 22 1/2
" Demand, 22 1/2
Shanghai, demand, 72 1/2
" 30 days' sight, private 73
Gold Leaf 99 1/2
Sovereigns, 2/6 1/2

Temperature.

(Taken at Messrs Falconer & Co.'s Premises, Queen's Road.)
HONGKONG, July 26.

BAROMETER—6 A.M. ... 29.575
Do 1 P.M. ... 29.532
Do 4 P.M. ... 29.550
THERMOMETER—0 ... 82
Do 1 P.M. ... 85
Do 4 P.M. ... 84
Do (Wet bulb) 1 P.M. 78
Do 4 P.M. 78
Do 4 P.M. 78
Do Maximum ... 88
Do Minimum ... 76

CHINA COAST METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

AT 4 P.M.—JULY 25.

Station.	Barometer at 4 p.m.	Thermometer at 4 p.m.	Direction.	Force.	Wind.	Sea.	Remarks.
Manila	29.76	83.77	SW	4	6	1.36	
Hongkong	29.73	80.92	—	—	0	0	
Amoy	29.74	80.83	SW	1	—	—	
Shanghai	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Nagasaki	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Wakatsuki	—	—	—	—	—	—	

Hongkong Observatory, July 26.

AT 10 A.M.—JULY 26.

Station.	Barometer at 10 a.m.	Thermometer at 10 a.m.	Direction.	Force.	Wind.	Sea.	Remarks.
Manila	29.72	80.77	SW	4	6	1.36	
Hongkong	29.73	80.92	—	—	0	0	
Amoy	29.74	80.83	SW	1	—	—	
Shanghai	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Nagasaki	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Wakatsuki	—	—	—	—	—	—	

JOHN BULL AND HIS ISLAND.

Thanks to the tariff—had almost said
Prison boys are Republicans, Radicals,
Socialists. They dream wild dreams of
liberty, they gasp for freedom, revolutionary
heroes are the heroes they worship.

Youth, alas! is a complaint that does not
linger about us long. How many of those
red-hot Radicals I know in my school days
now sing *ora pro nobis* in the street processions
of the Holy Virgin!

English boys, who enjoy the most com-
plete freedom at home, are the most con-
servative in the way of intellect; he has
only his birth to thank for the position he
occupies. His days are passed in eating
and drinking, smoking and hunting, and
taking up his rents. It strikes him as very
strange that there should be people who are
not pleased with their lot. To the con-
tentment people there are in the world, to
be sure," he exclaims, as he reads in his
newspaper the account of a strike or a
manifestation in favour of such and such
reform. Reform is in vogue, and such
things are very well ordered in this
best of the world.

The square in the magazine of his parish;
he is in the communion of the peace. A
poor beggar tried to excuse himself one day
before his square, by exclaiming, "I must
live, your honour, by the necessity for that,"
replied the magistrate, indignant at such pro-
fession.

The Universities of Oxford and Cam-
bridge, which send two members to
Parliament, are represented by Conservative
and non-Conservative. The Liberals,
it is true, present their most distinguished
professors as candidates; but they are al-
most ignominiously defeated. Thus (show-
ing an election of one of these Universities,
it is sufficient to have heard three years
of the degree of Bachelor of Arts, which,
three years later, is changed for that of Master
of Arts, merely upon the payment of certain
fees. So all these sons of gentlemen leave
college with the title of Bachelor, while
those of them are bachelors of first, second,
or third class, the others are not classed at
all. The former become professors, barristers,
etc. etc. You find them in all the occupa-
tions of the highest positions. They are re-
turning to the Church. Bachelors with honours
and bachelors without honours are in the
proportion of one to six.

This is why, at the University elections,
the Conservative candidate wins by such a
large majority.

An Englishman, member of the Univer-
sity of Oxford, and a staunch Conservative,
told me one day that he always refrained
from voting for his *alma mater*, because,
said he, "The Conservative candidate I
don't like, and I cannot accept the political
opinions of the Liberals."

I know another, also a great scholar,
and also a Conservative, who invariably
votes for the Liberal candidate.
"It is a preposterous thing," said he,
"our great country should be ruled by the
present in Parliament, by nobles of
country squares, or big tradesmen? When-
ever he has to vote, he sacrifices his
personal opinions to the honour of his
University."

London University, the students of which
belong to a rule of Liberal-minded families,
send a Liberal representative to Parlia-
ment. They generally choose a Radical.
A few years ago, it was Mr. Robert Lowe; at
present it is Sir John Lubbock, the banker,
naturalist and philosopher. The latter is
the Marquis of Salisbury at Oxford; Earl
Granville in London. If you happen to be
a legislator, diplomatist, artist, learned man
—anything you like. In Figg's time, the
noblemen could play the guitar from his
birth; that was more wonderful still.

Looking to the future—My: "They
want £5,000 for the lease, £200,000 for
eighty-nine years." "Oh, don't
buy it, Agg. Only eighty-nine years!"
Fanny dear, why they turned out of his
house at midnight, and possibly *idiot*
into the bargain!"

Some months ago a champagne house at
Beyrout offered prizes for the best five
poems on champagne. The subject was
to have inspired a large number of verses
of sentiment, seeing that no fewer than
1100 poems were sent in to the jury. The
chief prize, of 1000 francs, has just been
awarded to M. Clovis Hughes.

Little Nell—You like my sister, don't
you?
Young Filkins—Yes, I do—like her
very much.

Little Nell—You want to marry her,
don't you?
Young Filkins—Well, really, my little
dear, that is a very personal question.

Little Nell—When you get married you
will need all the money in your house, won't
you?
Young Filkins—I really don't under-
stand you?

Little Nell—Why, you know you only
occupy part of it, you know.
Young Filkins—Only part?
Little Nell—Yes, I said your upper
story was empty.

1.—Money Orders.
Money Orders are exchanged with
the following countries—
Ceylon, South Australia,
India, Straits Settlements,
Japan, Tasmania,
New South Wales, United Kingdom,
Port Darwin, Victoria,
Queensland, Western Australia.

2.—The Hongkong Post Office also issues
orders on Shanghai, and *vice versa*.
3.—The commission is as follows:—(ac-
cording to the currency the order is drawn
in)—
Up to £2, or \$10, or £20, 0.20 cents.
" £2, or \$20, or £40, 0.40
" £4, or \$40, or £80, 0.60
" £8, or \$80, or £160, 0.80
" £16, or \$160, or £320, 1.00
" £32, or \$320, or £640, 1.20
" £64, or \$640, or £1280, 1.40
" £128, or \$1280, or £2560, 1.60
" £256, or \$2560, or £5120, 1.80
" £512, or \$5120, or £10240, 2.00
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